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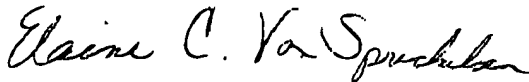
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For: Chemical Mechanical Planarization)
(CMP) Slurry Quality Control Process)
And Particle Size Distribution Measuring)
Systems)

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

This Amendment and Remarks is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 7, 2001, and includes a summary of a telephone interview with the examiner on March 12, 2001.

AMENDMENT

Please amend claims 1 and 26 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A quality control process for detecting physical and/or chemical changes in a CMP slurry, comprising the steps of:
- transmitting radiation through a flow of [a] an undiluted optically dense slurry as used in a chemical mechanical planarization (CMP) process, the radiation having one or more wavelengths;

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